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For: FIRE RESISTANT ACCESS PANEL FOR DUCTS AND AIR HANDLING EQUIPMENT

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- A specification consisting of Fifteen (15) pages
- Five (5) sheet(s) formal drawings
- An assignment of the invention
- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority based on
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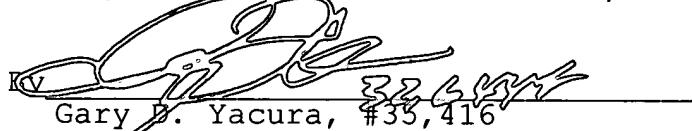
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